

## House Resolution 1173

By: Representatives Royal of the 171<sup>st</sup>, Floyd of the 147<sup>th</sup>, Houston of the 170<sup>th</sup>, Rynders of the 152<sup>nd</sup>, Hanner of the 148<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia High School/High Tech and inviting its members to appear before the  
2 House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, an educated citizenry is the foundation of democracy; and

4 WHEREAS, profound economic and technological changes in our society have rapidly  
5 altered the structure and nature of work, thereby requiring innovative approaches to prepare  
6 students for the 21st century workplace; and

7 WHEREAS, the Georgia State Rehabilitation Council, in partnership with the Georgia  
8 Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities, initiated Georgia High School/High  
9 Tech, a state-wide enrichment program that empowers high school students with disabilities  
10 to enter technological fields, reduces the dropout rate, and facilitates a successful transition  
11 to postsecondary education or gainful employment; and

12 WHEREAS, with the support of the Georgia Department of Labor and a community based  
13 partnership of business, education and government agencies, rehabilitation professionals,  
14 students, and families, Georgia High School/High Tech provides leadership training, skills  
15 training, mentoring, job shadowing, internships, site visits to businesses, universities, and  
16 technical colleges, as well as special events, to enable each participant to graduate from high  
17 school and successfully transition either to postsecondary education or to employment in the  
18 career of his or her choice; and

19 WHEREAS, since its inception, Georgia High School/High Tech has established programs  
20 that have provided opportunities for approximately 3,000 students with disabilities to  
21 continue their education and pursue meaningful careers.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
2 the members of this body join in commending Georgia High School/High Tech for its  
3 important work and in commending Georgia High School/High Tech students for their many  
4 outstanding accomplishments.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of Georgia High School/High Tech are  
6 invited to appear before the House of Representatives for purposes of being recognized by  
7 the House and receiving an appropriate copy of this resolution at a date and time to be fixed  
8 by the Speaker of the House.